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Security Council

10 a.m.	5789th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan

3 p.m.	5790th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East

   Letter dated 28 November 2007 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2007/684)

Afternoon	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room

The situation in the Middle East

Other matters

To be held following the adjournment of the 5790th meeting.

General Assembly

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3 p.m.	61st plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Reduction of military budgets: report of the First Committee (A/62/381) [88]
2. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace: report of the First Committee (A/62/382) [89]
3. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty: report of the First Committee (A/62/383) [90]
4. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco): report of the First Committee (A/62/384) [91]
5. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security: report of the First Committee (A/62/385) [92]

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General Assembly

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Informal "informal" consultations

Informal "informal" consultations (closed) on draft resolution A/C.2/62/L.37 related to the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development will be held *today*, 5 December 2007, at 11.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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6. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security: report of the First Committee (A/62/386) [93]

7. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/62/387) [94]

8. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: report of the First Committee (A/62/388) [95]

9. Prevention of an arms race in outer space: report of the First Committee (A/62/389) [96]

10. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification: report of the First Committee (A/62/390) [97]

11. General and complete disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/62/391) [98]

12. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/62/392) [99]

13. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: report of the First Committee (A/62/393) [100]

14. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/62/394) [101]

15. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects: report of the First Committee (A/62/395) [102]

16. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region: report of the First Committee (A/62/396) [103]

17. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty: report of the First Committee (A/62/397) [104]

18. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction: report of the First Committee (A/62/398) [105]

19. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/62/399) [121]

20. Programme planning: report of the First Committee (A/62/400) [129]

General Assembly
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Informal "informal" consultations of the whole on a draft resolution under agenda item 44 (Implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the Political Declaration on HIV/AIDS)

Informal "informal" consultations of the whole (closed), on a draft resolution entitled "Organization of the 2008 comprehensive review of the progress achieved in realizing the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the Political Declaration on HIV/AIDS", will be held on Thursday, 6 December 2007, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

General Assembly
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Commemorative High-level Plenary Meeting Devoted to the Follow-up to the Outcome of the Special Session on Children (11-12 December 2007)

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings of the Commemorative High-level Plenary Meeting Devoted to the Follow-up to the Outcome of the Special Session on Children is open. Delegations wishing to participate in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940B; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; fax 1 (212) 963-3783; e-mail dizon@un.org).

Delegations are further reminded that statements should not exceed seven minutes each.

General Assembly
Sixty-second session

Main Committees

Second Committee

3–6 p.m. 31st meeting Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions [52]

   (b) International financial system and development

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.9 and A/C.2/62/L.47

2. Sustainable development [54]

   (c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.20 and A/C.2/62/L.42

   (e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.17 and A/C.2/62/L.48

   (f) Convention on Biological Diversity

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.15 and A/C.2/62/L.45

   (h) Sustainable mountain development

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.18 and A/C.2/62/L.49

   (i) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.19 and A/C.2/62/L.44

3. Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) [55]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.22 and A/C.2/62/L.43

4. Groups of countries in special situations [57]

(b) Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.29 and A/C.2/62/L.46

5. Towards global partnerships [61]

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/62/L.33/Rev.1

[*Note:* Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, should be submitted to Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950E; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).]

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 128 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009:

(A/62/6 (Introduction), A/62/6 (Introduction)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 1), A/62/6 (Sect. 2), A/62/6 (Sect. 3), A/62/6 (Sect. 4), A/62/6 (Sect. 4)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 5), A/62/6 (Sect. 6), A/62/6 (Sect. 7), A/62/6 (Sect. 8), A/62/6 (Sect. 8)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 9), A/62/6 (Sect. 10), A/62/6 (Sect. 11), A/62/6 (Sect. 12), A/62/6 (Sect. 12)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 13), A/62/6 (Sect. 14), A/62/6 (Sect. 15), A/62/6 (Sect. 16), A/62/6 (Sect. 17), A/62/6 (Sect. 18), A/62/6 (Sect. 19), A/62/6 (Sect. 19)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 20), A/62/6 (Sect. 21), A/62/6 (Sect. 22), A/62/6 (Sect. 23), A/62/6 (Sect. 23)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 24), A/62/6 (Sect. 24)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 25), A/62/6 (Sect. 26), A/62/6 (Sect. 27), A/62/6 (Sect. 28), A/62/6 (Sect. 28A), A/62/6 (Sect. 28A)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28B), A/62/6 (Sect. 28B)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28C), A/62/6 (Sect. 28C)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28D), A/62/6 (Sect. 28E), A/62/6 (Sect. 28E)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28E)/Corr.2, A/62/6 (Sect. 28F), A/62/6 (Sect. 28G), A/62/6 (Sect. 29), A/62/6 (Sect. 29)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 30), A/62/6 (Sect. 31), A/62/6 (Sect. 32), A/62/6 (Sect. 33), A/62/6 (Sect. 34), A/62/6 (Sect. 35), A/62/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/62/6 (Income Sect. 2) and A/62/6 (Income Sect. 3));

Section 33, Safety and security, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 (A/62/91);

Consolidated report on the changes to the biennial programme plan as reflected in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 (A/62/80, A/62/80/Corr.1, A/62/80/Corr.2, A/62/80/Corr.3 and A/62/80/Add.1);

Experience of the utilization of the contingency fund (A/62/229);

Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/62/7, A/62/7/Corr.1 and A/62/349); and

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/62/16 (Chap. III B)))

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Assistance and Support to Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 4th meeting (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

3–6 p.m. 5th meeting (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Implementation of the United Nations Platform for Space-based Information for Disaster Management and Emergency Response
2. Special Afghanistan allowance
3. Executive session

Peacebuilding Commission

Second session

Burundi configuration

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 2nd meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda (PBC/2/BDI/3/Rev.1)
2. Remarks by the Deputy Secretary-General
3. Adoption of the Monitoring and Tracking Mechanism of the Strategic Framework for Peacebuilding in Burundi (PBC/2/BDI/4)
4. Other matters

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Main Committees

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Ms. Lilit Toutkhalian (Armenia), under agenda item 60 (Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Vice-Chairman, Mr. Peter Le Roux (South Africa), under agenda item 52 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

From 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Omer Siregar (Indonesia), under agenda item 56 (c) (Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. Eduardo Menez (Philippines), under agenda item 56 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Facilitator, Mr. Marcus Leroy (Belgium), under agenda item 57 (a) (Groups of countries in special situations: Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room S-770.

Facilitator, Mr. Thomas Gass (Switzerland), under agenda item 59 (b) (Triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

Wednesday, 5 December 2007

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (under agenda item 71 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa" (under agenda item 47) (convened by the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania, on behalf of the African Group)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster" (under agenda item 71 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Indonesia, on behalf of the Indian Ocean tsunami affected countries)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the Draft Declaration of the Commemorative High-level Plenary Meeting Devoted to the Follow-up to the Outcome of the Special Session on Children (under agenda item 66 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Brazil)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 5 December 2007

JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee experts)

9–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (sixth session):

Special Working Group on the Crime of Aggression (2nd and 3rd meetings)

10.15 a.m.–1 p.m. Conference Room 4

3–6 p.m. Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft omnibus resolution (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on the triennial comprehensive policy review of the operational activities for development of the United Nations)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on Second Committee draft resolutions)

1–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of the Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level)

10.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Other activities

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Wednesday, 5 December 2007

Briefing on "Transparency in extractive industries" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

[All Member States are invited to attend.]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>

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Room S-226

Guests at 12 noon — H.E. Mr. Baki İlkin, Permanent Representative of Turkey; H.E. Mr. Elbio Rosselli, Permanent Representative of Uruguay; and Mr. Robert Orr, Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Strategic Planning (on the outcome of the informal meeting of the General Assembly on the implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy)

1.15 p.m. — Mr. Luis Moreno-Ocampo, Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court (ICC) (following his meeting with the Security Council on the ICC's recent report on Darfur)

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 6 December 2007

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

10 a.m. — 62nd plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

1. Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/446) [78]
2. United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/447) [79]

3. Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/448) [80]

4. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its fortieth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/449) [81]

5. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-ninth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/450) [82]

6. Diplomatic Protection: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/451) [83]

7. Consideration of prevention of transboundary harm from hazardous activities and allocation of loss in the case of such harm: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/452) [84]

8. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/453) [85]

9. The rule of law at the national and international levels: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/454) [86]

10. Measures to eliminate international terrorism: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/455) [108]

11. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/456) [121]

12. Programme planning: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/457) [129]

13. Administration of justice at the United Nations: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/458) [137]

14. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/459) [157]

15. Observer status for the Regional Centre on Small Arms and Light Weapons in the Great Lakes Region and the Horn of Africa in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/460) [158]

16. Observer status for the Italian-Latin American Institute in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/461) [159]

17. Observer status for the Energy Charter Conference in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/462) [160]

18. Observer status for the Eurasian Development Bank in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/62/463) [162]

19. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations [120]

20. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Eurasian Economic Community: draft resolution (A/62/L.14) [163]

21. Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the President of the General Assembly (A/62/549) [114 (h)]

22. Advancement of women: report of the Third Committee (A/62/433 (Part I))[1] [63]

23. Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences [114 (g)]

3 p.m. 63rd plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium: specific meeting focused on development [116]

[1] To be issued.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 21st meeting on Thursday, 6 December 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 21st meeting and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families

Meeting of the States Parties

Third Meeting

The Third Meeting of the States Parties will take place on Thursday, 6 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The documents for the Meeting are CMW/SP/6, CMW/SP/7, CMW/SP/7/Add.1 and CMW/SP/3.

Quorum

Pursuant to article 72, paragraph 4 of the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are 37 States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is 26 States Parties. There have beer. instances in the past where meetings of the States Parties have been substantially delayed or called off due to the lack of quorum. In order to avoid such occurrences, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present at the scheduled time of the meeting.

Credentials

The credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the Meeting. The credentials may be brought or sent to the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (room S-2914).

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Informal briefings

The UNICEF Executive Board will hold informal briefings in preparation for the first regular session of 2008:

Informal briefing on private fundraising and partnerships: Friday, 7 December 2007, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7;

Informal briefing on the evaluation policy: Friday, 14 December 2007 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 7; and

Informal briefing on the 2008-2009 biennial support budget: Monday, 17 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Henry Labouisse Hall, UNICEF House (First basement) *(cancelled)*.

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund
Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold informal consultations on the UNDP's accountability system (accountability framework and oversight policy), on Friday, 7 December 2007, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Chamber. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution "International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development" (under agenda item 71) (convened by the delegation of India, on behalf of the Group of 77)

Thursday, 6 December 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 71) (convened by the delegation of Portugal)

Thursday, 6 December 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster" (under agenda item 71 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Indonesia, on behalf of the Indian Ocean tsunami affected countries)

Friday, 7 December 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Other forthcoming meetings

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African Group (Third Committee experts)

Thursday, 6 December 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Asian Group

Thursday, 6 December 2007, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Outreach meeting for the International Criminal Court (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sierra Leone)

Friday, 7 December 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

United Nations Development Programme (first meeting in the process of consultation with Member States on the *Human Development Report*))

Friday, 14 December 2007, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[Interested delegations are invited to attend.]

Forthcoming other activities

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DPI/NGO briefing on "The sixtieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights: Looking ahead", in observance of Human Rights Day

Thursday, 6 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Robin Della Rocca NGO Section, DPI (tel. 1 (917) 367-8020; e-mail dellarocca@un.org).]

Informal briefing on "Gender and AIDS" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark, with the support of UNIFEM, UNDP and UNAIDS)

Thursday, 6 December 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Dr. Víctor Mari Ortega, UNAIDS (e-mail ortegav@unaids.org).]

Special event on the occasion of United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation (organized by the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, UNDP)

Wednesday 19 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

[The event will consist of an opening session with high-level speakers; a panel discussion on the theme "Innovative financing for South-South development cooperation"; and an award ceremony for South-South and Triangular cooperation. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Rogel Nuguid, Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, UNDP (tel. 1 (212) 906 6944; e-mail rogel.nuguid@undp.org); or visit the Web site of the Special Unit <http://ssc.undp.org>.]

Announcements

Special event for the General Assembly specific meeting focused on development

There will be a special event for the General Assembly specific meeting focused on development, organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Thursday, 6 December 2007, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Opening statements will be made by the President of the General Assembly and the Deputy Secretary-General. Keynote addresses will be made by Professor Joseph E. Stiglitz, Nobel Laureate, and Professor Jagdish Bhagwati. All are invited to attend. For further information, please call the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-8774); or visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/coordination/desc.htm>.]

Informational meeting with Member States to discuss issues relating to Russian language services

The second round of language-specific informational meetings between the language services of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management and Member States was held from 19 to 21 November for Arabic, Chinese, English, French and Spanish. The meeting for Russian, originally scheduled for 21 November, which was cancelled, has been rescheduled for Friday, 14 December, at 3 p.m. The meeting will take place in Conference Room 9.

General Assembly **List of candidates**

Delegations are kindly reminded that the list of candidates (an informal working paper) for the sixty-second session of the General Assembly and other information on elections and candidatures are available on CandiWeb at the following address: <https://secln069.un.org/candiweb>. Instructions to access the Web page can be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2337 or via e-mail to santomauro@un.org.

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-second session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-second regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (room S-3420F or S-3420S; tel. 1 (212) 963-5358 or 963-5377).

Security Council

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.html>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Access to back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*

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Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 4 December 2007

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

1st meeting

The President of the General Assembly opened the meeting and made a statement.

The Deputy Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East made an opening statement.

Statements and announcements regarding pledges were made by the representatives of the following countries: Sweden, Turkey, Germany, Bahrain, Austria, Luxembourg, Netherlands, United Arab Emirates, Switzerland, Italy, Japan, China, Kuwait, Norway, United States, Spain, Denmark, Oman, Finland, Portugal (on behalf of European Union), Egypt, France, Ireland, Senegal and Iceland, as well as by the observers for the Holy See and the European Community.

The observer of Palestine made a statement.

The Deputy Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East made a closing statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006

Ratification: Namibia (4 December 2007)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006

Ratification: Namibia (4 December 2007)[1]

International Sugar Agreement, 1992. Geneva, 20 March 1992

Extension of time-limit under article 38 (2) of the Agreement for the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval until 31 December 2008

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Objection to the reservation lodged by Bahrain following its accession to the Covenant: Hungary (4 December 2007)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2007* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Botswana
H.E. Mr. Samuel Outlule

Asian States:
Samoa
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